

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2103  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2103 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Department of Agriculture, in collaboration with the Department of Health, to create a restricted use pesticide amnesty program that provides restricted use pesticide amnesty bins within each county for the anonymous and proper disposal of illegal or unused restricted use pesticides.

The Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Life of the Land, Western Plant Health Association, Hawaii Floriculture & Nursery Association, and several individuals supported this measure. Two individuals opposed this measure. The Department of Agriculture, Department of Health, and Hawai'i Farm Bureau provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the provision which established the restricted use pesticide amnesty program;



- (2) Inserting new language requiring the Department of Agriculture to establish and administer a one-year pilot program, in collaboration with the Department of Health, that expands existing pesticide disposal programs in the Hilo and Kona regions of Hawaii County to allow for a means of properly disposing pesticides for at least one day in each region within each calendar quarter;
- (3) Requiring the Department of Agriculture, in collaboration with the Department of Health and the appropriate Hawaii County agencies, to advertise the pilot program;
- (4) Requiring the Department of Agriculture to submit a report on the implementation of the pilot program and recommendations to the Legislature;
- (5) Changing its effective date to January 28, 2045, to encourage further discussion; and
- (6) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2103, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2103, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy &  
Environmental Protection,



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



